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SINGAPORE FOR CHARLES S. AHLGREN

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OVIP: (DENT, FREDERICK B.) SN

SUBJ: PROPOSED VISIT BY SEC OF COMMERCE DENT, DEC 10-11,
1974

REF: (A) SINGAPORE 4119; (B) STATE 219733; (C) STATE 222091;
AND (D) STATE 226215

1. SEC REGRETS AMBASSADOR WILL BE OUT OF COUNTRY,
BUT ACCEPTS WITH PLEASURE CHARGE'S KIND INVITATION TO
VISIT SINGAPORE DEC 10-11, 1974.

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2. SEC REQUESTS COUNTRY TEAM BRIEFING EARLY IN

PROGRAM FOLLOWING WHICH HE COULD TOUR THE EMBASSY'S NEW COMMERCIAL SERVICES UNIT.

3. SEC WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE SEEING USRTC IN OPERATION THUS EXPOSING HIM TO US AND LOCAL BUSINESS COMMUNITY.

4. SEC LOOKS FORWARD TO CALLING ON PRIME MINISTER LEE KUAN YEW OR IN EVENT HE IS UNABLE, DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER GOH KENG SWEE, AS WELL AS MINISTER OF FINANCE HON SUI SEN.

5. VISIT AND BRIEFING JURONG INDUSTRIAL ESTATE ACCEPTED IF TIME PERMITS. HARBOR TOUR APPEARS DOUBTFUL BECAUSE OF TIME PRESSURES. IF CAN BE INCLUDED COMFORTABLY IN SCHEDULE, WOULD OF COURSE CONSIDER.

6. SINGAPORE'S JURONG BIRD PARK WOULD BE OF KEEN INTEREST TO MRS. DENT AS WELL AS ENTIRE PARTY.

7. IN VIEW OF GOS'S DESIRE TO SCHEDULE AN UNSPECIFIED SOCIAL EVENT, EMBASSY SHOULD DECIDE WHETHER CHARGE' WILL HOST A DINNER OR LUNCHEON FOR SEC AND HIS PARTY DEC 10.

8. SEC ALSO WILLING TO GIVE BRIEF TALK ON US ECONOMY AT AMERICAN BUSINESS COUNCIL RECEPTION.

9. APPRECIATE POST INDICATE EVENTS WHERE PRESS WOULD EXPECT STATEMENT OR REMARKS FROM SEC INCLUDING AIRPORT PRESS COVERAGE.

10. UNABLE TO CONFIRM TARGET ARRIVAL BY 0900 HOURS PER REFTEL (A). TOO EARLY IN PLANNING STAGE TO MAKE FIRM COMMITMENT. WILL ADVISE SEPTTEL.

11. REFTEL (D) HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: IN ADDITION TO SUITE REQUESTED PARA 4 REFTEL (D) PLEASE HAVE HOTEL BLOCK OUT ONE DOUBLE AND FOURTEEN SINGLES. ALSO HAVE HOTEL BLOCK OUT TWO CONNECTING DOUBLES FOR SECRETARIAT AND CONTROL ROOM. SEE SET UP FOR CONNECTING DOUBLES UNCLASSIFIED

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DESCRIBED ALSO REFTEL (D).

12. SEC ANXIOUS AND WILLING TO ENHANCE ANY MISSION INTERESTS PROVIDING TIME PERMITS.

13. FINAL APPROVAL OF EMBASSY'S PLANS WILL BE MADE BY THE SEC WHEN ITINERARY BECOMES FIRM.

14. FOR POST'S GUIDANCE IN PREPARING MRS. DENT'S ITINERARY, HER HOBBIES ARE KNITTING, NEEDLEPOINT, TENNIS AND GOLF. SHE HAS BEEN ACTIVE IN CIVIC SERVICE ACTIVITIES CONCERNING CABINET WIVES. SUGGEST POST INCLUDE MRS. DENT ON APPROPRIATE VISITS WITH MR. DENT OR ARRANGE VISITS TO IMPORTANT CHARITIES, MUSEUMS OR LOCAL INTERESTS. ALSO FOR YOUR PROGRAMMING MRS. DENT'S SCHEDULE, IF AMBASSADOR'S WIFE DESIRES, MRS. DENT WOULD BE PLEASE TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY ACTIVITIES WHICH THE EMBASSY MIGHT RECOMMEND, INCLUDING FUNCTION FOR EMBASSY WIVES' ACTIVITY.

15. MR. AND MRS. DENT'S BIOGRAPHIES AND PHOTOGRAPHS COMMERCIALLY AIRMAILED THIS DATE.

16. NEWS SUMMARY SERVICE TO HOTEL: REQUEST USIS NEWS SUMMARY ON MORNINGS SEC AND HIS PARTY ARE IN YOUR COUNTRY. THE SUMMARIES SHOULD BE PROVIDED AT 0700 EACH DAY, AND SHOULD COVER GENERAL ITEMS OF INTEREST. ALSO COPIES OF LOCA ENGLISH LANGUAGE NEWSPAPERS, IF AVAILABLE, EACH MORNING.

17. TRANSFORMERS: IF NEEDED, PLEASE PROVIDE TWELVE TRANSFORMERS IN THE VISITORS CONTROL ROOM FOR THE PARTY. CAPACITY OF TRANSFORMERS SHOULD BE SUFFICIENT FOR SHAVERS, HAIR DRYERS, ETC.

18. FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS SEPTTEL. KISSINGER

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